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Title: Regarding arrest of Tamil fishermen in the high sea.

*SHRI P.R.SUNDARAM (NAMAKKAL): I express my salutations to Hon'ble *Puratchithalaivi* Amma. In 2011, the Sri Lankan Government had filed a dubious case of drug trafficking against 5 fishermen of Ramanathapuram and all those fishermen were sentenced to death on 20 October 2014. Tamil Nadu Government, following the footsteps of Hon'ble Amma, provided Rs.20 lakh for making appeal in the case on behalf of Tamil fishermen. A letter was written to Hon'ble Prime Minister and the fishermen from Tamil Nadu on death row were released later. DMK President, through his statements, is merely involved in smear campaign in this matter. Hon'ble *Puratchithalaivi* Amma is the savior who saved the lives of Tamil fishermen from death row. Tamil Nadu Government, under the able guidance of *Puratchithalaivi* Amma, is making all efforts to safeguard the interests of fishermen in Tamil Nadu. On 23rd November 2014, 14 Tamil fishermen, along with their 3 boats, were arrested by Sri Lankan Navy. Tamil Nadu Government, under guidance of Hon'ble *Puratchithalaivi* Amma has written a letter to Hon'ble Prime Minister for speedy release of arrested Tamil fishermen and securing their seized boats. I urge the Hon'ble Prime Minister to intervene in this matter and ensure immediate release of all 38 fishermen longing in Sri Lankan prisons. I also urge for securing all the 78 boats that were seized by Sri Lankan Navy. Thank you.